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Dear Sir:

We enclose the following papers for filing in the United States Patent and Trademark Office under 35 U.S.C. 111(a) as a **Continuation** application of PCT International Application No. PCT/IE00/00054 filed May 8, 2000 which claimed priority of International Application No. PCT/IE99/00035, filed May 7, 1999.

1. Application- 25 pages, including 2 independent claims and 42 claims total.
2. Drawings- 17 sheets of formal drawings containing 36 figures. (Figures 1-35).

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This application is being filed under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(f). Applicants await notification from the Patent and Trademark Office of the time set for filing the Declaration and paying the filing fee of \$1136.00. Please do not charge the filing fee to our Deposit Account without our authorization.

Applicants claim the right to priority based on International Application No. PCT/IE99/00035, filed May 7, 1999.

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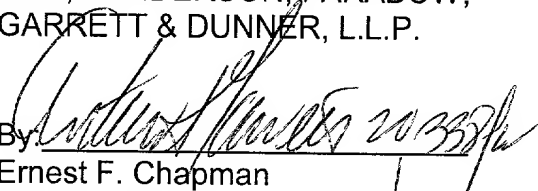
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Please accord this application a serial number and filing date.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any other fees due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or §1.17 during the pendency of this application to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

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